SOFTWARE GUIDANCE #4:

BASIC WIRELESS ROUTER SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

A router is a device that acts as a physical connection between computers. It allows computers to "talk" and share information with one another.

When purchasing a router package, please ensure it includes the following:
a) 4-port wireless router
b) Power adapter
c) Ethernet cable

The steps listed below will allow you to verify that your router is ready for use on reviews.

Setting up your router:

1. Connect the power adapter to the Router and into an electrical outlet.
2. Connect the Ethernet cable into one of the LAN ports located and labeled on the back of the router.
3. Plug the other end of the Ethernet cable into your laptop's Ethernet port.

Note: When plugging the Ethernet cable into the back of the router make sure that you insert the cable into one of the numbered ports labeled 1 through 4.
Do not plug the Ethernet cable into a port labeled WAN or Internet.

To verify that you are connected to the router (using Windows XP):

1. Go to Network Connections.
   a. Select "Start"
   b. Go to "Settings" (*The "Classic" view will not have "Settings".*)
   c. Go to "Control Panel"
   d. Click on "Network and Dial-up Connections"
2. Find your "Local Area Connection" listed under Network Connections.
   a. Double-click on the icon for "Local Area Connection"
3. From the Local Area Connection Status page
   a. Click on the "Support" tab
   b. Locate the IP Address Field

Note: To verify that you router is working properly you should see a number beginning with 192.168.X.X located to the right of the IP Address Field. Where "X" stands for a number. If you need assistance please contact the PRISM Helpdesk at 1 (800) 518-1932.

To verify that you are connected to the router (using Windows 2000):

1. Go to View all Network Connections.
   a. Select "Start"
   b. Go to "Settings"
   c. Click on "Network and Dial-up Connections"
2. Find your "Local Area Connection" listed under Network and Dial-up Connections.
   a. Double-click on the icon for "Local Area Connection"
3. From the Local Area Connection Status page
   a. Click on the "Support" tab
   b. Locate the IP Address Field

Note: To verify that you router is working properly you should see a number beginning with 192.168.X.X located to the right of the IP Address Field. Where "X" stands for a number.

If you still cannot see your connection, power off your laptop, unplug the Ethernet connection, disconnect the power adapter and then reconnect power, Ethernet and power up your laptop.

As always, the PRISM Help Desk is available to help you troubleshoot router and other connection issues.

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